

December 6, 1944

Dear Sir:

President Tom Wilson and Dr. J. B. Martin of the N. N. League and Negro American League have called a joint meeting of the members of the two Leagues for Friday, December 15th at Theresa Hotel, New York City. The joint meeting will be at 1:00 P.M.

The Baseball situation will be gone into thoroughly by all present as the two Presidents have heard rumors of some dissatisfaction emanating from two or three members, and wish to give these members a chance to state their grievances before the other members of Negro Organized Baseball.

There is little doubt that the St. Louis situation which caused a rift between the two Leagues will be cleared satisfactory.

President J. B. Martin anticipates having regular salaried N. A. League umpires in 1945 if he can get a majority of the N. A. League members to vote for this indorsement.

Matters pertaining to the East-West game and outlaw Clubs will be discussed. Some of the Club owners favor black-listing all players who jumped in the middle of the 1944 season; others favor black-listing the Clubs to which they jumped, and taking back all players who returned to their Clubs before the close of the 1944 season.

For a time there were rumors of a third League of Negro Baseball. Although these rumors have subsided, the majority of franchise holders have seved the same parks in which they played in 1944 and are determined not to be rushed or excited by unconfirmed rumors which come mainly from those who wish to force themselves into Organized Baseball in some capacity,

Pres. Tom Wilson, N.N. League

Pres. J.B. Martin, N.A. League

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